

### III. CONCLUSION:

Applicants respectfully submit that in view of the arguments made, the pending claims are in condition for allowance. An early and favorable action on the merits is earnestly solicited.

This submission is being submitted together with a four (4) month extension of time. The Commissioner for patents is hereby authorized to charge the fee in the amount of \$2,950.00 (\$810.00 of which is for the fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e) for the Request for Continued Examination (RCE); \$500.00 of which is for the fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16(i) for 5 additional unpaid claims; and \$1,640.00 of which is for the fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(4) for extension for response within fourth month) to Deposit Account No. 50-0552. It is believed that no additional fees are due for this submission. If it is determined that any additional fees are due, the Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge said fees to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

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